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Re: 1190400007 -- Madison Co.

Taracorp/NL Industries

Superfund/Tech

Dear Mr. Bradley,

This letter is in response to the "Final Work Plan For Remediation Of Locations In Granite City, Madison, And Venice, Illinois, Associated With NL Industries/Taracorp Superfund Site." The IEPAs original comments to the draft work plan were adequately incorporated except for those listed in the attached.

Also enclosed are the Part 620 Groundwater Quality Regulations. As far as whether filtered or unfiltered groundwater samples are required, the answer is that both are recommended. For making a direct comparison from a sample to the groundwater quality standards listed in Section 620.420, the samples must be unfiltered. However, for long term monitoring and statistical analysis, filtered samples are recommended.

If you have any questions pertaining to the above, please call me at 217/782 6760.

Sincerely,

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